

16805. Adulteration of butter. U. S. v. 87 Boxes of Butter. Decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 24136. I. S. No. 011509. S. No. 2318.)

On September 13, 1929, the United States attorney for the District of Massachusetts, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 87 boxes of butter, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Springfield, Mass., consigned on or about August 27, 1929, alleging that the article had been shipped by the North American Creameries (Inc.), Carrington, N. Dak., and transported from the State of North Dakota into the State of Massachusetts, and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was adulterated in that a product containing less than 80 per cent of milk fat had been substituted for butter, which the said article purported to be, the act of Congress approved March 4, 1923, providing that butter contain not less than 80 per cent by weight of milk fat.

On September 18, 1929, the North American Creameries (Inc.), Boston, Mass., having appeared as claimant for the property and having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be released to the said claimant upon payment of costs and the execution of a bond in the sum of \$2,000, conditioned in part that it be reworked, under the supervision of this department, so that it contain at least 80 per cent of butterfat.

ARTHUR M. HYDE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

16806. Adulteration of butter. U. S. v. 25 Tubs of Butter. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 24228. I. S. No. 016231. S. No. 2400.)

On September 20, 1929, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 25 tubs of butter, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Chicago, Ill., alleging that the article had been shipped by the York Cooperative Creamery Co., from Williamsburg, Iowa, September 9, 1929, and transported from the State of Iowa into the State of Illinois, and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was adulterated in that excessive water had been mixed and packed therewith so as to reduce and lower and injuriously affect its quality and strength, in that a substance deficient in milk fat and high in moisture had been substituted, wholly or in part, for the said article, in that a valuable constituent, butterfat, had been in part abstracted from the article, and in that it contained less than 80 per cent of butterfat.

On September 26, 1929, the H. C. Christians Co., Chicago, Ill., claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel and having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be released to the said claimant upon payment of costs and execution of a bond in the sum of \$1,000, conditioned in part that it be reprocessed under the supervision of this department so that it contain not less than 80 per cent of milk fat.

ARTHUR M. HYDE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

16807. Adulteration and misbranding of butter. U. S. v. 11 Tubs of Butter. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 24135. I. S. No. 021238. S. No. 2285.)

On September 4, 1929, the United States attorney for the Southern District of New York, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 11 tubs of butter, remaining in the original unbroken packages at New York, N. Y., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Ideal Creamery Co., Aitkin, Minn., on or before August 23, 1929, and transported from the State of Minnesota into the State of New York, received on or about August 30, 1929, and charging adulteration and misbranding in violation of the food and drugs act.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was adulterated in that a substance deficient in butterfat had been mixed and packed with it so as to reduce or lower or injuriously affect its quality or strength, and had been substituted wholly or in part for the said article.

seizure and condemnation of 300 cases of butter, remaining in the original unbroken packages at New Orleans, La., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Laurel Creameries Co., Laurel, Miss., in various consignments, on or about July 10, July 24, and August 9, 1928, respectively, and had been transported from the State of Mississippi into the State of New Orleans, and charging misbranding in violation of the food and drugs act as amended. A portion of the article was labeled in part: (Carton) "Pride of Mississippi Fancy Creamery Butter Manufactured by Laurel Ice & Packing Co., Laurel, Miss. Net Weight One Pound When Packed." The remainder of the said article was labeled in part: (Cases) "30 1 Lb. Cartons Creamery Butter."

It was alleged in the libel that the article was misbranded in that the statement, "Net Weight One Pound When Packed," with respect to a portion of the article, and the statement, "30 1 Lb. Cartons," with respect to the remainder thereof, borne on the labels, were false and misleading and deceived and misled the purchaser, and in that the article was food in package form and the quantity of the contents was not plainly and conspicuously marked on the outside of the package, since the quantity stated was not correct.

On September 25, 1928, the Laurel Creameries, Laurel, Miss., having appeared as claimant for the property and having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be released to the said claimant upon payment of costs and the execution of a bond in the sum of \$5,000, conditioned in part that it be reworked and reconditioned and should not be sold or disposed of without having been first inspected by a representative of this department.

ARTHUR M. HYDE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

15998. Adulteration and misbranding of garbage product. U. S. v. 250 Sacks of Garbage Product. Product ordered released under bond. (F. & D. No. 17296. I. S. No. 5176-v. S. No. C-3911.)

On February 17, 1923, the United States attorney for the Western District of Missouri, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 250 sacks of garbage product at Kansas City, Mo., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Pan American Feed Milling Co., West Toledo, Ohio, on or about December 30, 1922, and transported from the State of Ohio into the State of Missouri, and charging adulteration and misbranding in violation of the food and drugs act. The article was labeled in part: "Garbage Product PAF * * * Guaranteed Analysis: Protein not less than 18%, Fat not less than 12%, Fibre not more than 07%. Pan American Feed Milling Co. Manufacturers and Distributors, West Toledo, Ohio."

It was alleged in the libel that the article was adulterated in that a substance deficient in protein, high in fiber, and containing glass, an added poisonous and deleterious ingredient, had been substituted wholly or in part for an article containing 18 per cent of protein.

Misbranding was alleged for the reason that the statement on the label, "Protein not less than 18%, Fat not less than 12%, Fibre not more than 07%," was false and misleading and deceived and misled the purchaser.

On December 6, 1923, the Pan American Feed Milling Co., West Toledo, Ohio, having appeared as claimant for the property, and having executed a bond in the sum of \$1,000, conditioned that it be disposed of in conformity with the provisions of the Federal food and drugs act, judgment was entered ordering that the product be released to the said claimant.

ARTHUR M. HYDE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

15999. Adulteration and misbranding of butter. U. S. v. 137 Cases of Butter. Decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 23132. I. S. No. 0837. S. No. 1171.)

On or about August 31, 1928, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 137 cases of butter at New Orleans, La., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Yalobusha Cooperative Creamery Co., Water Valley, Miss., on or about August 23, 1928, and transported from the State of Mississippi into the State of Louisiana, and charging adulteration and misbranding in violation of the food and drugs act. The article was labeled in part: (Cartons) "Clover Leaf Brand Creamery Butter Distributors One Pound Net."